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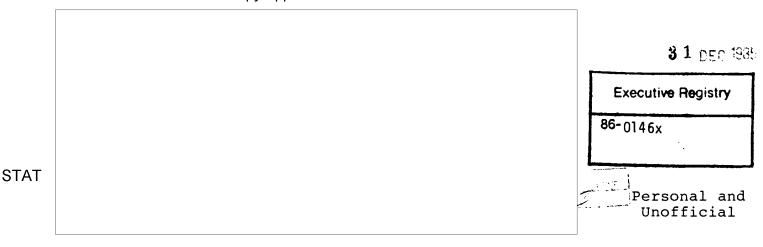
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December 17, 1985

Honorable William J. Casey Director Central Intelligency Agency Washington, DC 20505

Dear Bill:

An old friend and OSS veteran, Ernest Brooks, Jr., of New Canaan, Conn., passed away earlier this year, leaving a distinguished family of scholars including a professor at Yale.

During W.W. II Ernie served in London, part of the time writing some of the history of OSS itself. His widow and family are naturally interested in getting any information about his activities and writings during that period, about which he was understandably taciturn.

Forty years having passed, would it be possible to obtain this kind of information for his family memorabilia? I am prepared to pay reasonable charges.

I am taking the liberty of sending a copy of this letter to Kermit Roosevelt, who worked on a history of OSS and to Geoffrey Jones, President of Veterans of OSS. Anything you might do would be greatly appreciated.

It was a pleasure to see you at John Shaheen's funeral, sad as the occasion was.

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